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The race is on

Ice racing kicked off this past weekend at the Minden Fairgrounds. Organized by the Minden Kin Club, the annual event is in its 37th year. Racing will happen every weekend until March. More on page 3. **Angelica Blenich** Staff

Council unsure of EMS base partnership

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Plans to move forward with a joint Minden Hills fire hall and Haliburton County Emergency Medical Services building on Highway 35 leave some councillors uncomfortable.

The project was first put forth in 2011 by the county as a combined services building.

Minden Hills fire chief Doug Schell told council Jan. 16 it was difficult to nail down costs for a fire hall capital project since plans had not yet been finalized.

Many councillors were cautious with proceeding before knowing if grant money was available.

"If we go ahead with this without a grant we're looking at somewhere in the neighbourhood of \$165,000 a year, for combined

principle and interest," said Reeve Barb Reid.

The amount would equal about three per cent on top of the township's existing operating budget.

"I recall at one point that Minden Hills would be shouldering two thirds of the cost ... we're not really seeing the cost savings that were initially discussed," said Councillor Brigitte Gall. "If there are no cost-savings then why is Minden Hills still going to be expected to carry two-thirds of the cost?"

Reid said nothing had been carved in stone yet and a 50/50 proposition was more reasonable for the township to put forward.

The reeve said she was very uncomfortable moving forward on the project without a grant and would be recommending the same to the county.

"It's not like the ambulance base burned down and that we have to replace it," said

Reid. "We have a fire hall ... I think we should wait until there's talk about infrastructure and stimulus grants. But in the meantime we do have the opportunity to tell the county if we're initially in on this project."

Fire chief Schell said he agreed with a 50/50 proposition.

Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch, who sits on the county's EMS committee, said she strongly believed the county would not be moving forward with the project without grant money.

The deputy-reeve believed council should be seriously looking at the partnership.

"This is a fine piece of property, if we could basically partner and move forward," said Murdoch. "Getting our own piece of

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Flying Canuck ready to lead

**Minden teen to compete in major
ATV race series**

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Minden's Cody Withey, 18, will be flying the maple leaf proudly during the upcoming ATV Motocross National racing series across the United States this year.

Racing for the past four years, Withey is a rising star with a self-admitted aggressive style. He has a penchant to push the limits and will be charging hard his year in the nine-round racing series sanctioned by the American Motocross Association starting on March 22.

Withey loves racing all-terrain-vehicles for the autonomy and how he loses himself in the moment, hitting the holeshot (taking the lead off the start), passing a competitor or making the perfect turn.

He shuts out the world the minute he puts his helmet on.

"When it's race day I get real quiet and focused. I know what I have to do," he said.

Other than Jaime Byrd, who will help with his starting gate, Withey will be alone with his thoughts before the start of each race, which he considers the most nerve-wracking.

"You never know what could happen. Anything can happen. Lots of people have died I guess off the starts," he said.

The exposed wheels can get caught up, causing collisions, he said.

"That's playing in your mind. You want to tune that out, but it's hard to of course, but you always focus on just trying to be out

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Darren Lum Staff
Minden's Cody Withey is excited about racing in the upcoming AMA ATV Motocross National race series starting March 22. Withey, who is a representative of the Canadian ATV MX Race Team, is racing in the open A and the pro am classes.

ATV racing a physical, exhilarating sport

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front," he said.

Withey's excitement for the sport is dampened little by the relatively small crowds of upwards of 2,000 (motocross draws tens of thousands) people or the money available - top riders in pro are lucky to earn \$10,000.

Withey points out pro am riders don't even make half of what a pro makes.

The top three tracks during the series, he said, are Unadilla in New Berlin, New York, RedBud in Buchanan, Michigan, and the season finale at Loretta Lynn's in Hurricane Mills, Tennessee.

Withey caught the ATV racing bug when he started riding the dirt to benefit his snowmobile racing in the CSRA (Canadian Snowcross Racing Association) and from watching video-recorded online footage of races in the states.

Switching over to ATV racing was the best thing, he said.

Before each race Withey drops his helmet on a couch to ensure good luck.

Some races might last less than 20 minutes, but the physical exertion is unbelievable. He works out, but nothing compares to just riding, he said.

This season he will move up to race in the pro-am (one below the top class, pro) class and hopes for a top-five overall finish despite the stiffer competition because of the pro riders who will be in the pro am field.

"It'll be tough, but I think I can do it as long as I stay consistent," he said.

Withey is also running in the open class.

He moved up from open A class where he earned a third overall.

Ultimately, he is hoping for a factory ride.

"Of course everybody wants that because you make money and stuff. That's where you have the most help. Realistically, there aren't any factory teams right now so the goal is just be champion," he said.

Mark Baldwin of Baldwin Engines is his technician for major work necessary for his competition vehicle while he handles the day-to-day work.

His family is helpful and supportive.

Withey, who loves KD (Kraft dinner) because he can make it, appreciates his

dent met while racing, as they came together to resolve mechanical issues with their racing machines.

They became fast friends and then started the non-profit organization to combine efforts and resources when going to the states. It not only provides them an opportunity for improved recognition, but also a vehicle to promote the sport they both are passionate about.

"I think Team Canada is inspiring more people from Canada to go to the states to race," he said.

The team also includes Bryan Vollmer, who will be joining Withey in the same class. Vollmer is a training partner of Withey's.

Withey might love how he is in his own world racing, but acknowledges his network of support off the track.

It was difficult, he said, to watch as his son's aggression and ambition didn't match the skill required to execute manoeuvres on the racetrack.

Now that his son has improved his dad doesn't have to worry anymore.

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hasn't broken any bones despite a few end-over-end crashes and a nose-first crash off a large untested jump.

Withey advises anyone interested in starting to race that simplicity is the key.

Keeping an ATV closer to stock will ensure greater reliability and better access to parts.

Follow Withey and his team through www.canadianatv.mx.com.

mother, Kristin, for her moral support and the food she packs for him before he heads down to the U.S.

His dad Bill goes to the races, supporting and helping like any parent.

When his son started he had a lot of anxiety.

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Ice racing revs up for another season



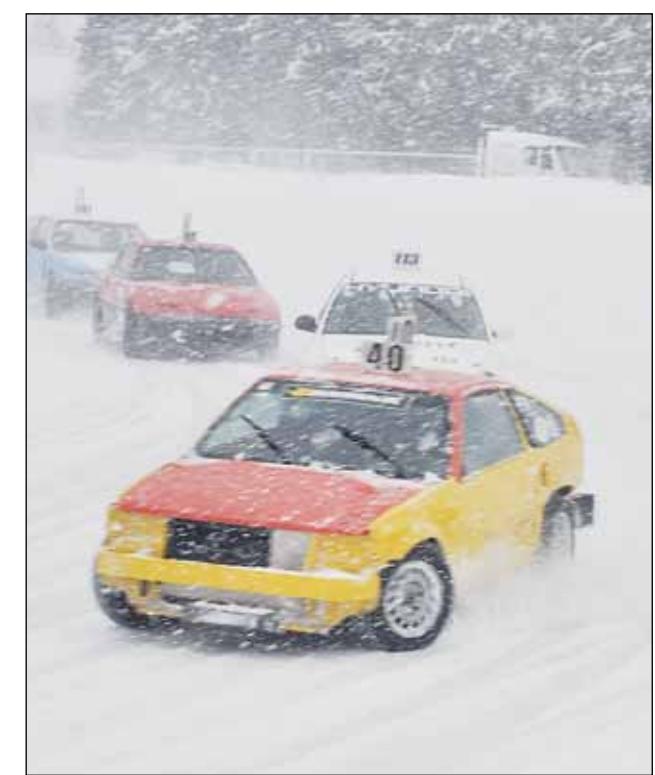
The cars are back on the track for another season of ice racing in Minden.

The annual event, now in its 37th year, kicked off at the Minden Fairgrounds last weekend on Jan. 18 and 19.

Organized by the Minden Kin Club, the ice racing includes competitors from all the province, participating in races governed under the Canadian Automobile Sports Clubs (CASC).

The racing will continue every weekend, weather permitting, until March.

- Angelica Blenich



Organized by the Minden Kin Club, ice racing is in its 37th year. Taking place at the fairgrounds every weekend, the event includes hundreds of competitors from throughout Ontario.

Photos by Angelica Blenich



Budget constraints flavour discussion

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ing forward without a strategic plan.

Murdoch said the county was looking for an answer as the township had only said yes in principle at this point.

"The thing to remember here is we are possibly need to look at partnering with the county. The county doesn't necessarily need us," she said. "I've been with EMS now for eight years ... there are not a lot of good properties for what we're looking for. This is our best bet right now."

To date \$683,000 had been spent on the land acquisition, demolition of the Walker's garage, cleaning and servicing the site, said Reid.

"I think it is absolutely valid that we cannot make any commitment to any cost-sharing ratios at this time because we don't know what the numbers are," said Reid. "We are not committing to build."

Council passed a resolution agreeing to pay 50 per cent of the land acquisition and servicing costs to date and stating that Minden Hills was not prepared to move ahead with construction of a fire hall at this time and will wait for a grant opportunity.

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Bluegrass festival awaiting funding decision

Coming Events

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Jan. 16 meeting of Minden Hills council.

Organizers of the Minden Bluegrass Festival are still unsure if their request for financial support from the township will be approved.

Interim community services director Darren Levstek presented a report to council, outlining the festival's requests for rental and labour services totalling \$4,880.

The request includes use of facilities, tables and chairs, installation of fencing, use of municipal water supply and hydro, staff time and that the dates for the annual festival be reserved for three years.

The event is an initiative of the Minden Rotary Club, held at the Haliburton County Fairgrounds during the third week of July.

Other community service clubs contribute to executing the 10-day event, which attracts visitors from all over the province.

"This event has been going on for four years and has become very popular on a bluegrass circuit," said Levstek. "At this point it brings in approximately 600 to 700 people."

The event has a significant impact on labour costs for the township, which may lead to additional overtime, said Levstek in his report to council.

While councillors were in favour of the event they did not want to see it become a burden to the taxpayers of Minden Hills.

Rotarian Dennis Casey, who was invited to attend the meeting by Levstek, said the club has significantly contributed to community projects such as the Minden hospital and the community centre, both of which are used by the entire community.

"We have to acknowledge that the club, yes, we are asking for relief on this, but our argument is we've also done a tremendous amount for the community as a whole, as have our other partners," said Casey.

Councillor Larry Clark suggested the club install signs showing what projects they have contributed to.

Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch believed the event was successful in attracting people to the area and was a good thing for Minden Hills.

"We certainly support the work you do, the bigger question was are we being inconsistent in the treatment with one group versus another group," said Reeve Barb Reid. "Most of our customers are non-profits and if we're saying yes to some and no to others. We need to know why we're doing that."

While Casey wanted to respond, rules dictate that those making delegations cannot engage in conversation with council.

A decision on waiving the fees will be brought to the next scheduled council meeting.

Minden boardwalk to be reinstalled

A tender for the reinstallation of the Minden Hills boardwalk was awarded to Royel Paving Limited, for a total cost of \$16,667.

The bid by Royel Paving Limited was the only submission the township received.

The boardwalk was damaged as a result of the April flooding last year. The area where the boardwalk intersects with Invergordon Ave. was lifted from its foundation by the high water levels, according to Levstek's report to council.

"As water levels receded the boardwalk shifted. The boardwalk must be lifted and moved into position with the use of a crane," he wrote in his report.

Council agreed to give staff direction to move ahead on the project.

Tagline to stay the same

Councillors have decided that Minden Hills will continue to be In Season, Every Season. A discussion on switching to the tagline Haliburton County recently adopted #MyHaliburtonHighlands, was brought up by Reid.

Council unanimously decided to stay with the long-standing tagline it currently uses, in an effort to remain consistent.

Call for Choreographer for Dusk Dances 2014 in Haliburton

Dusk Dances Haliburton is seeking a site-specific dance piece created by a choreographer from the Haliburton County area for the 2014 program to be performed by local youth. A professional fee will be paid to the choreographer for the development, creation and mounting of the performance at Head Lake Park in Haliburton, July 17th to July 20th 2014.

Deadline for submissions: February 28, 2014

For a copy of the full applications and terms of reference contact:

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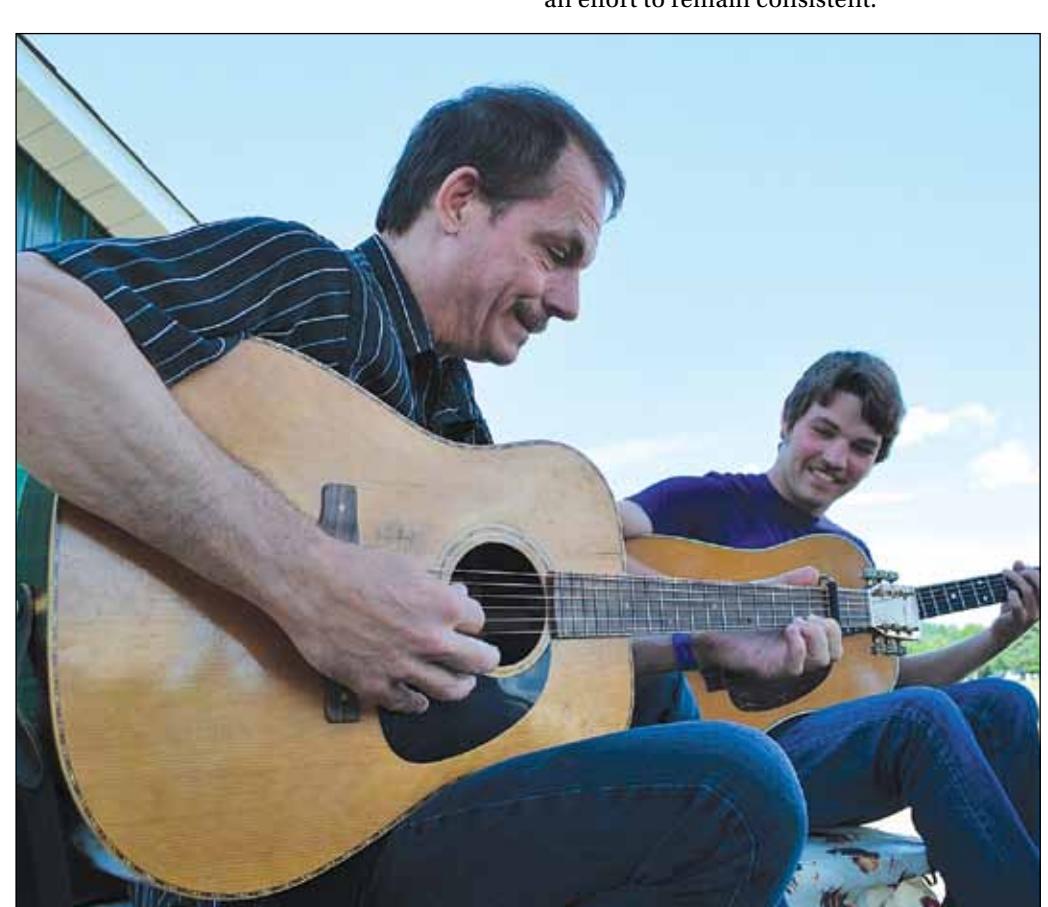
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Free exercise program offered for seniors

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

A new falls prevention exercise program is giving seniors an opportunity for safer mobility.

With a co-ordinated effort between the Community Care Haliburton County and Closing the Gap of Lindsay, the free 12-week program will help participants with strength, balance, flexibility and endurance twice a week in the county.

Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit health promoter Angela Andrews said this type of program is a key strategy to prevent falls for seniors by what it teaches and how it brings attention to an important issue.

"Seniors don't want to hear about it. People don't believe it will happen to them. Therefore it gets ignored and swept under the carpet - having a person (by example who has a story to share about a

situation) and how exercise and balance has helped them improve is what people need to hear," she said in an email.

Andrews said other than the VON SMART exercise program, there really isn't anything else like this offered in the area.

The classes are in Minden from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Haliburton, on Tuesdays. Classes are also on Thursday in Haliburton from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. and in Minden from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call 705-457-2941.

This type of program "significantly reduces falls-related injuries in seniors by between six per cent and 33 per cent," she said. "We have heard from participants first-hand at how much they gain from the exercises and the confidence it brings. Now is the time to keep active - during the cold winter months. Maintain muscle strength and balance and you will be more likely to keep your balance if the winter ice trips you up."



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HHSS open house on Feb. 5

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ers all aspects of student life at high school.

A four-panel brochure is provided to each Grade 8 parent describing the academic as well as school life options available in secondary schools.

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Positive change

THE LOCAL MEDIA landscape has shifted under our feet a couple of times this last month with changes hard to keep up with.

Staff and appearance of the papers fluctuated from week to week.

Now things have settled and for those curious about the future of the *Minden Times* and *Haliburton Echo*, there is good news.

Both papers are now under the sole ownership of London Publishing, an independent publishing group based out of Beeton, Ont.

This new structure follows a month-long partnership between *The Highlander* newspaper and London Publishing under the name Maple Key Media.

Last week, the two sides of Maple Key decided to part ways and now London Publishing is taking over exclusively.

This new ownership aims to strengthen the *Times* and *Echo* and presents the opportunity for these long-standing, award-winning papers to return to their roots.

And we're excited about that.

The *Haliburton Echo* and *Minden Times* are papers known across the province for award-winning journalism.

Built from the ground up by

community members, both papers have proud histories of serving Haliburton County. London Publishing intends to continue this tradition.

Under Maple Key Media, a few familiar faces left the papers - I was one of those people.

I am happy to announce that Chad Ingram and Steve Galea are joining me back at the *Echo* and *Times* to continue making excellent papers along with the rest of our incredible, hard-working staff.

We also thank former general manager Curtis Armstrong, who helped guide the papers through the transition period on behalf of Sun Media.

The people who work at the *Echo* and *Times* do so primarily for the love of it.

Newspapers, while privately owned, provide a public service and have the ability to enhance the community they represent.

I speak for our entire staff when I say that is what fuels our passion for working here.

Going forward, we hope our readers will continue to join us in creating the papers this fantastic community deserves.

Note: Chad Ingram will return to this space next week.



Jenn Watt
Editor

OPP investigate domestic disturbance

On Monday Jan. 13, Ontario Provincial Police officers from the Haliburton Highlands detachment responded to a domestic dispute in the Township of Minden Hills.

Following an investigation it was determined that a female had been assaulted.

As a result, a 28-year-old male was transported to the detachment in Minden and charged with assault - two counts, mischief and assault causing bodily harm. The accused was scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice on Jan. 14 in Lindsay.

Male driver arrested

On Jan. 16, officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police stopped a vehicle on County Road 21 in the Township of Minden Hills. As a result, the male driver was arrested and transported to the OPP detachment where he provided a sample of his breath.

The information from Find Me ID can be transferred quickly through electronic means such as cellphones or computers, to those who need it most when a child goes missing or is lost.

The Ontario Provincial Police is supporting this important initiative to enhance safety and help reduce the time it takes to get information about missing children to police.

The accused was released on a Prom-



Photo by Jenn Watt

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points of view

ET called home

HERE WAS BIG NEWS for Star Trek fans the other day when the European Space Agency's Rosetta spacecraft finally called home after a three-year period of hibernation. News broadcasts showed ESA staff jumping for joy at the sound of their comet-chasing spacecraft's signal, which travelled 800-million kilometres to reach them.

Is it me or does this thing sound like every third-year university student you've ever known?

Let's examine the evidence.

First, it calls long distance and collects from God-knows-where. Then, it tries to demonstrate that it has learned something of value in the last three years by saying "Hello world!" in several different languages.

Mark my words. If my theory is correct, the spacecraft only called for one of three reasons: it's got a pile of laundry that it needs to bring home this weekend, it needs more money, or it would like to announce that it doesn't feel that space exploration is the right life choice at this time.

I suspect even now it's probably about to explain to its ESA parents that the universe is a big place and it needs a little time to figure out who it really is. Then, it will break the news that it plans to live on a commune in South America for the next little while with a spacecraft named Willow who majored in Neolithic poetry. Oh, and the odds are good that it will also announce that it does not want to be called Rosetta anymore because her new name Starlight, revealed itself to her during a vision quest.

OK, it's too late for this spacecraft, but hopefully, the ESA has learned something from the experience and will do better with the next one.

In keeping with that sentiment, I'd like to offer my expertise in creating a spacecraft to deal with this type of scenario. I'm proposing an older, wiser model that has been programmed to respond with guilt-

I have been worried sick! Sick I tell you!"

At this point, the spaceship I propose would sob for added effect.

Then it would screech, "Why must you torture us? Haven't we always tried our best for you? Just so you know, you're father and I are not getting any younger. He's got a doctor's appointment next week and I wouldn't be surprised if they made him see a heart specialist...."



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

That would have caused a spike of guilt in Rosetta who would have then responded with an apology and a muddled explanation that things are very different now - something along the line of the world has changed.

To which the mothership would reply.

"George, Miss Big Shot thinks things are different now. She thinks the world has changed! Oh...it's like they invented youth!"

Right now, you are probably wondering what this simple columnist could contribute to a project like this.

Well, I don't have much in the way of technical expertise at all, but I do have plenty of experience with the psychological aspect of the programmed responses I'm speaking about. I know what's effective. In fact, I get updates every week.

So ESA, if you are reading this, call me. And if the line is busy, leave a message - I'll be on the phone with mom.

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Snow, glorious snow

AM ON MY HANDS and knees. This is not a position I meant to assume. It just turned out that way.

All you people who celebrated the arrival of our January thaw, I warned you. Be careful what you wish for. Look what you got.

For a few days there, Haliburton was as slippery at Mike Duffy, the road to Sapsucker Ridge, as icy as a Prime Minister's demeanour.

You could skate on the road to Sapsucker Ridge, except you'd be going really fast by the time you got to the bottom of the big hill. Besides, it's been years since I owned a pair of skates.

So, for a couple of days at the start of last week, I walk because it is too dangerous to drive, though the truth is, walking might be even riskier. Pickups don't fall down.

On Sapsucker Ridge, we watch weather forecasts and then try to average out the contradictions between Environment Canada and The Weather Network.

If there is any danger of winter erupting, we stock the fridge, gas up the generator, throw a few more logs on the fire and hunker down.

Circumstances change as the skat-

ing-day rinks unfold, but for three days I leave my truck on the edge of town and walk home.

My walks are a source of considerable amusement to The Brown Dog Jiggs. I take a step or two, fight to keep my balance, flail my arms as though I am looking for a symphony orchestra to conduct.

Jiggs watches my acrobatics and laughs and laughs, and then all four legs betray him and he does an imitation of a beached seal.

Now, you might suggest I buy a pair of clamp-ons, or cramp-ons, or whatever they're called, but if you do I'll be forced to punch you in the nose. Nobody likes a know-it-all.

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Not long after things get bad,

they usually get better without any help from us. The best plan is to let Mother Nature have her way, but the best plan sometimes gets lost in the shuffle.

A two-mile walk is nothing to The Brown Dog Jiggs and there, at the other end, is parked the vehicle that is our link to the outside world.

Which is how I wind up on my hands and knees, mocked by Jiggs. Arm-flailing fails to achieve liftoff. Shuffle steps, slide steps, nothing seems to work.

Which is why I start searching out roadside patches of snow in which to plant my feet. A two-mile walk turns into a shoulder-to-shoulder zig-zag that takes 90 minutes.

The top of the banks thrown up by the plow, that's the place to go. No ice there. Which is fine, until a snow mountain arises before you and you have to climb back down onto the ice.

Brace your arms on the bank top. Dangle a foot over the edge. Plant it firmly. Then the other foot. Hope for the best. Feet planted, you are still

leaning on the bank top.

Get down on your knees. One at a time, transfer your hands to the ice surface. Now you are a quadruped, says Jiggs, and then he falls down.

As for me, I am on my hands and knees, which is where this column began. Ice-melt soaks through the knees of my jeans. I can't go on like this.

I proceed with cautious pessimism. Back on my feet, I am very still for a moment, standing sideways to the slope. And then, ever so slowly, I begin to slide.

In a day or two, my neighbours will spoil all the fun. I get a ride home on a road I am afraid to drive on myself. Jiggs is laughing fit to kill.

One day there is sand on the big hill. One more walk into town, then I drive my pickup home. Jiggs rides shotgun.

Fresh snow next. Snow, glorious snow. Who needs a January thaw? Snow you can walk on. Snow that gives way if you fall. Snow that grabs your tires. Snow that dazes up the landscape.

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow.

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Drivers provide empathy and support

Volunteers ensure those needing treatment for cancer get to appointments

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

It doesn't take much except compassion and time.

These are the invaluable qualifications for a cancer driver, said volunteer Ted Bateman, who looks forward to his weekly drives.

Bateman has been volunteer driver for five years with the Canadian Cancer Society since finding the rewarding volunteer experience in his retirement after he moved to Kinmount eight years ago.

Even though he and his wife have never had cancer, Bateman knows the pain.

From his own parents, in-laws and friends, he has seen those affected by the treatments and the loss associated with cancer. This is his way to give back.

"If you have the time ... if you're looking for something to do and sitting around doing nothing, you know you're going to be providing a real valuable service if you can drive these people to their treatments," he said.

He'll spend up to two days a week driving.

Bateman has spent up to 14 hours in one day, driving and assisting a client.

"The tough part is probably the waiting," he said. "There is a lot of waiting and you better get used to it because you sit there for an hour. You sit there for four hours."

He'll often make the best of it by using the spare time golfing, relaxing, shopping or visiting with family nearby.

In the face of bad weather the driver makes the final decision of whether to go, he said.

However, the worse part is always lingering at the back of your mind.

"It's really sad when you know there is an end sometimes. They know there is an end. It's just a matter of keeping them comfortable and cheerful and happy when you know it's a dismal outlook sometimes," he said.

During the drive, Bateman will follow the lead of the client, but admits he loves to talk.

For anyone worried about taking home someone who is susceptible to getting sick they shouldn't be.

In his five years and close to 100 clients there has only been one person who has been sick during the drive.

Drivers have the freedom to pick destinations, times and their days, Bateman said.

He is one of few drivers willing to go to Toronto and is an important member of the



Darren Lum Staff

Canadian Cancer Society volunteer driver Ted Bateman, left, looks forward to driving clients such as Geraldine Shaw, who needed weekly drives last year to get to her cancer treatment appointments in Barrie. Shaw, who doesn't even want to think where she would have been without the driving service, said the volunteer drivers were not just generous with their time, but their friendship.



The tough part is probably the waiting.

— Ted Bateman

nated with her.

In the car for close to five hours for the weekly round-trip to Barrie, Shaw enjoyed learning about Bateman's life like the other drivers she had over the course of a few months last year.

Sometimes other drivers would treat her like their daughter, looking out for her.

She said there were occasions after her treatment when the drivers would look for her, searching the hospital.

Shaw, a glass-half-full kind of gal, is quick to laugh despite a stroke in 2006 that robbed her of much of her sight, mobility and her career as a lab technician.

What it didn't take was her optimism and her gratitude for others and life.

She is 69 and walks with a cane.

Judging her by her attitude she could easily pass for a freshly graduated 20-something, full of spunk and vigor.

"When you get the diagnosis of the big C I don't know what it is about me, but I never did worry about it. I got it and thought, oh, hell I've got over so many things in my life this can't be that tough. And, it wasn't," she

said. "Thank God."

Shaw, who has a daughter in Barrie and one in Whitby, realizes thank you isn't enough for saving her life. If she could see them all in one room she would tell them: God bless you all.

"Without them, I don't know what I would have done. It's terrible to even think back at it," she said.

Shaw and Bateman credit former volunteer transportation convener Elaine Anderson of Minden with the success of the program that runs in the county.

Born and raised in the area, Anderson usually possessed an intimacy with every patient because of her origins, but also her experience with cancer whether it was herself (breast cancer), the loss of her husband and siblings, brother and sister, both to lung cancer. Her other two surviving sisters have had melanoma.

Anderson could provide the empathy and support through such a trying period for the client and his or her family.

The friendships she formed are the most lasting.

Shaw loved the people and the interactions, she said.

She still remembers receiving a box of cookies from a client, who sent them with a note in a taxi to show his gratitude.

He never introduced himself in person, but his gesture will last with Anderson forever.

"So many of them I never met. And then all of a sudden they're gone, they've passed away. That's the sad part," she said.

Since the society's new system was implemented to channel all co-ordination through Peterborough, Anderson has missed being the convener. Her duties ceased as of June last year.

For 14 years she served as the convener, co-ordinating the schedule.

Now, her duties are diminished.

Anderson continues to volunteer by helping interview drivers.

According to the Canadian Cancer Society website, in 2012, more than 12 million kilometres were driven by close to 2,600 volunteer drivers who helped more than 15,000 people get to treatments.

The general sentiment, she said, among the drivers is a feeling of reward.

"They get far more out of it than they put into it," she said. "They just get so much gratitude from the client and they're appreciated so much."

After drives clients would regularly make compliments about the drivers, she said.

For more information contact the Canadian Cancer Society at 1-800-463-0432 or Elaine Anderson at 705-286-2898.

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RFP documents will be available after 2 p.m. local time on Thursday, January 23, 2014 at the Township Office located at:

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There will be a \$50 non-refundable deposit required to receive the RFP documents.

Proponent contact information will be made available through the Township website for the purpose of sub-trades.

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2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2014

For further information, please call 705-489-2379. Lowest or any proposal not necessarily accepted.

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Legion clubroom alive with music



Legion br. 636

This promises to be a top quality evening. Tickets are \$8.50 and available at the door.

A group of people interested in making crafts met for the first time last week at the Legion.

They are enthusiastic about sharing their various creative abilities, but Wednesday wasn't the best day for everyone so we are going to move it to Thursdays at 10 a.m., starting this week.

It's great to hear these guys entertain - they'll be back again soon. Next Saturday evening Jan. 25 from 7 to 10 p.m., fans of Rhythm and Blues and jazz will want to watch Sheri Hawkins and her special guest, Nashville's own Hal Turner.

Hal has played with greats such as Bo Diddley, Little Anthony and The Imperials, even comedian Richard Pryor.

Or better yet, come on out and use them up yourself! For more details, leave a message for Judy at the Legion at 705-286-4541.

In response to customer requests, you can now use a debit card at Minden Legion.

We also provide free Wi-Fi while you relax and enjoy our clubroom facilities. To access Wi-Fi for the first time, just ask the bartender for the password.

Lunch is served weekdays from noon to 2 p.m., with a different feature meal item every day.

Wednesday is the day for our meat draws, for just a dollar you could win your supper tonight. Friday's feature lunch meal is fish 'n' chips, also served from 5 to 7 p.m. for supper.

Take-outs available. To accommodate another new event at Minden Legion, we have a trained volunteer bartender every Sunday from noon to about 5 pm. We will be showing Nascar races on the Big Screen TV, but anyone is welcome to enjoy a pleasant afternoon in our cosy clubroom.

The Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636, is currently recruiting new members who support remembrance, and who believe in serving our veterans and our troops.

There are over 300 members from near and far who belong to Minden Branch 636.

Applications are available at the bar during regular business hours.

Do you know that hospitals, clinics, fire departments and other not-for-profit health-care organizations can apply to the Legion's Charitable Foundation for funding of medical equipment and research, programs for aging veterans, etc?

For full details go to the website of the Legion's Ontario Command at www.on.legion.ca, or get an application through the local Branch or Ladies' Auxiliary.

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, February 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- File No. H-001/11 & H-002/11
Applicant: Ann & David MACKENZIE
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 13, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-006/13
Applicant: Lena JOHNSON
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 10, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way
- File No. H-044/13
Applicant: Dwain WRUTH
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 28, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Snowdon
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
- File No. H-056/13
Applicant: Bradley MAYBEE & Donna KELLY
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 7.9, Concession 3 & Pt. Lot 10, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Stanhope
Nature of the Application: New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 22nd day of January, 2014

Michele Moore
Secretary-Treasurer
Haliburton County Land Division Committee
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P. O. 399
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
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sports

Atom AEs play year-end tournament

The Lions Club Highland Storm Atom AEs played their year-end MPS Tournament in Huntsville this past weekend. The team played well and managed a record of two wins and two losses. Storm opened well with a win against South Muskoka, but then lost to North Muskoka, and Port Carling ending their Championship hopes. It was the final game of the round robin that was the highlight of the weekend when Storm beat the first place Huntsville Otters 1-0 in an exciting game on their Olympic ice in front of their home crowd.

The big win was the result of a team effort to "make things happen" and win every little battle. Storm did the little things that teams have to do to win in the playoffs: chipping pucks out of their zone, winning races, and standing up the Otter offensive. It was Brendan Coumbs who crashed the Otters net off a faceoff and buried a bouncing puck with a couple minutes remaining in the third period. The crowd went wild.

The real thief in this game was goaltender Darian Willis who calmly stole the game for the Storm. His shutout performance meant his team-

see HARKENING page 13



The Minden Skating Club returned with great results from the Port Carling Santa Skate competition on December 7. From back, left, Larissa Stephenson, Shae MacNaull, Madison Allaire, Jordyn Greer, middle row, left, Ruthie Parker, Denise Sherbakov, Ava Allaire, front row, left, Melanie Walter and Emily Sherbakov. Absent for the photo is Alexius Mills. Photo submitted

Notices



PUBLIC NOTICE
Applicant: STREISFIELD/ZABISKY
Part of Lots 20, Concession 12, Big Hawk Lake
Part of Lot 21, Concession 12, Big Hawk Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared parts of the road allowance lying in front of Part of Lot 20, Concession 12 and Part Lot 21, Concession 12, Big Hawk Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the road allowance lying in front of Part of Lot 20, Concession 12, and Part of Lot 21, Concession 12, Big Hawk Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY: THAT part of the road allowance in front of Lot 20, Concession 12 designated as road allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to H18130 described as Part 2 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9582.

SECONDLY: THAT part of the road allowance in front of Lot 21, Concession 12 designated as road allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to H18130 described as Part 3 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9582.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the 6th day of February, 2014 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

Dated: January 22, 2014

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Skating Club has great result at Port Carling competition

The Minden Skating Club results	Fifth	Pre-Preliminary Elements:
Ava Allaire	Junior Bronze Spins:	Silver
Introductory Freeskate:	Gold	Pre-Preliminary Spins:
Silver	Junior Bronze Elements:	Fourth
Introductory Elements:	Seventh	
Ruthie Parker	Alexius Mills	Emily Sherbakov
Pre-Preliminary Freeskate:	Pre-Preliminary Freeskate:	Introductory Freeskate:
Bronze	Fourth	Bronze
Pre-Preliminary Elements:	Pre-Preliminary Elements:	Introductory Elements:
Silver	Silver	Bronze
Pre-Preliminary Team Elements:	Pre-Preliminary Spins:	Larissa Stephenson
Silver	Sixth	Pre-Preliminary Freeskate:
Introductory Interpretive:	Pre-Preliminary Team Elements:	Fourth
Fifth	Silver	Fourth
Jordyn Greer	Ruthie Parker	Pre-Preliminary Elements:
Pre-Preliminary Freeskate:	Pre-Preliminary Freeskate:	Fifth
Bronze	Fourth	Pre-Preliminary Spins:
Pre-Preliminary Elements:	Pre-Preliminary Elements:	Bronze
Silver	Fourth	Melanie Walter
Pre-Preliminary Team Elements:	Pre-Preliminary Team Elements:	Introductory Freeskate:
Silver	Silver	Silver
Denise Sherbakov	Denise Sherbakov	Introductory Elements:
Junior Bronze Freeskate:	Introductory Freeskate:	Silver
Silver	Silver	Silver

Atom A team defeats Colts

We have had a great regular season! We have an awesome group of kids, parents and coaching staff; it has made for some super teamwork!

Last weekend we competed in the Peterborough Lift-lock tournament. We tied with the Tweed Hawks 2-2, tied with the Loyal-

ist Jets 2-2 and won against the Campbellford Colts 3-1. That earned us the group II finalist and we would go on to play the wild card team. Well, the wild card team turned out to be the Campbellford Colts; so we packed up and moved to a different arena to play the team we had just

defeated. After a nail-biter of a game the Storm secured to the Colts late in the third period by one heart-breaking goal.

Never the less, The Peppermill Highland Storm Atom "A" team put their game faces on this weekend in the annual Muskoka Parry

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Eleven wins, four losses, three ties for Atom A

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Sound Tournament (MPS). Our first game was against the Parry Sound Shamrocks. The Shamrocks knew there was a Storm a brewing. This was Dylan "shut the front door" Keffer's game. Amazing team spirit and superior goal tending allowed us a 3-0 shut-out.

Goals - Joe Boice assisted by Tim Turner, Jake Sisson assisted by Aaron Bellefleur and Tyler Martin assisted by Joe Boice.

Last but not least the game against our biggest rival, Huntsville, started out with us being behind by two goals in the first three minutes of the game. Alex Little had a beautiful breakaway, scoring the first goal for The Peppermill Highland Storm Atom "A" team smoothly unassisted. The team made a gutsy performance, while battling a flu bug and never giving up to be victorious over Huntsville 5-4.

Goals - Alex Little unassisted, Tyler Martin assisted by Joe Boice, Joe Boice assisted by Tyler Martin, and Tim Turner

assisted by Cole Prentice and the Game Winning Goal came from the unassuming lightning speed centerman Brenden Newhook.

It too was a nail-biter of a game that was enjoyed and cheered on by many in the stands. Thanks to all the parents, grandparents, friends and other Storm teams; your support was much appreciated. This was a perfect precursor to starting play downs next weekend.

As the standings are now going into the play downs the Peppermill Highland Storm Atom "A" team has 11 wins, four losses, and three ties.

Congratulations boys on a great weekend of hockey. We are all so very proud of your accomplishments this season.

Kathy Martin

Bantam A team beats Parry Sound at home

The Highland Storm Smolen Dentistry Bantam A team beat Parry Sound in their first game of the OMHA play-downs 6-2 in front of a jam-packed Minden Arena crowd.

Jacob Bishop scored 20 seconds into the game with a shot from point assisted from Matt Wilbee.

Josh Bellefleur stood strong in the net for the win.

Storm scored again with 6:26 left in the first period on a goal from Paydon Mischio assisted by Jacob Haedicke. Storm scored two more in the second to go up 4-0 on goals from Kyle Cooper assisted by Mark Seville, and Chris Thompson assisted by Chase Burden and Greg Crofts before Parry Sound could get one past Josh Bellefleur.

Andrew Hall scored with 3:41 left in the third to put storm

up 5-1 assisted by Greg Crofts. Parry Sound never gave up as they scored at the 2:15 mark, Owen Smitty Smith finished the game off at 1:18 left on an assist from Jacob Bishop and Matt Wilbee.

Jacob Bishop scored 20 seconds into the game with a shot from point assisted from Matt Wilbee.

Josh Bellefleur stood strong in the net for the win.

Game Two is in Parry Sound on Sunday at the Bobby Orr Community Centre.

The Shamrocks came out strong and fast going up 2-0 until four seconds left in the first when Jacob Bishop scored on a pass from Owen Smitty Smith and Matt Wilbee. Storms Chris Thompson scored with 9:26 left of the second to tie it up assists to Chase Burden and Jacob Bishop.

Parker Smolen made several key saves to give Storm the win. Game 3 is scheduled for Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. in Minden.

Submitted by Craig Smith

Girls Storm gears up for league playoffs and provincial play downs

The Highland Storm Minden Car Quest midget B girls' team travelled to Ennismore and Cold Creek on Sunday for a double-header against the first and second place clubs in their loop. The Sunday noon game against the Ennismore Eagles was a play-off style game with a fast pace, strong defence and few chances being given by each club. Connor Marsden shut down and turned away all Eagle shooters in the 0-0 shut-out draw. An awesome game where both clubs fought the duration of the game but were unable to tally on the game sheet to make a difference in the win column.

One difficult outcome was the possible loss of Maddie Billings in the third period to a hip injury. Hopefully some rest and physio will get her back to the ice in time for the playoffs? Great game girls in tying first place Ennismore who have lost only one game, giving up three goals in the season so far.

The Storm girls travelled to Frankford for their second tilt

Final score 4-2. Wicked double-header girls as we gear up for our league play-offs and Provincial play downs! Keep the focus girls as we prepare to take on Durham West in the first round.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Harkening back to Patrick Roy

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mates only needed to net one goal. His play brought back memories of Hall of Famer Patrick Roy, winking at opponents, as they tried everything to score but failed. Willis was totally in the zone.

Another great weekend for a great little team. Loads of laughs and smiles at the hotel pool. Great team bonding right before the playoffs.

Well done kids

Submitted by Richard Smith

Midget A begins play downs

The Highlander's Highland Storm Midget As began their OMHA playdowns this past Friday night in Minden vs. the Ennismore Eagles.

These two teams had not met before this game this season but the expectations were high for a fast-paced game having met in other years.

Ennismore would get on the score board first and would hold the lead until mid way through the second.

At the 12-minute mark Jacob Sisson would even up the score with help from traffic around the net and assists from Spencer Trueman and Nathan Feir. The game would



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Storm meets Ennismore Saturday

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remain dead locked until the last minute of the third when Tyler Barry would find the back of the net on a power play, assists handed to Connor Dollo and Nathan. The score would remain 2-1 at the buzzer to the pleasure of large hometown crowd. The teams meet again Friday night in Ennismore then Saturday at 4 p.m. in Haliburton for Game 3.

Submitted by Wendy Sisson

Peewee A team wins two of three in tournament

The Dollo's Foodland Highland Storm Peewee A team won two of three games in the MPS tournament on Saturday but still could not advance to the tournament championship game.

Three teams ended with identical win-loss records but the elimination was decided by which had the most penalty minutes. The Storm team played South Muskoka first winning 3-1 with goals by Owen Gilbert, Lucas Haedicke and Sean Walker.

Game 2 was a heartbreaker loss to Huntsville in 3 on 3 overtime. The Storm team was up 3-1 going into the third period with goals by Ben MacNaull and Owen Gilbert but Sean Walker managed to tie the game.

In 3 on 3 overtime Lucas Haedicke was a step in front of the Huntsville defender and ready to shoot but was hauled down with no penalty on the play. Huntsville gained puck possession and skated down the ice to score the game winning goal.

Game Three against Parry Sound was a confident 5-2 win by the Storm team with two goals each by Owen Gilbert and Nigel Smith and one by Lucas Haedicke.

The Storm Peewee A team will start a best three out of five playoff series against Parry Sound next weekend.

Submitted by Larry Buktak



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Spencley trophy presented by Don Ballantyne to winning team Charlie Hadley, Lynda Pawluch, Dave Neely, Karen Lytle, Andy Cooper, Mary Forbes, Carol Hussel.

United Church scores success at 12th annual bonspiel

Several years ago, before the Rev Max Ward was minister, Highland Hills Pastoral Charge had a temporary minister who was heard to say one day, perhaps in a moment of frustration, "Minden has two religions, Christianity and curling!" To Barb Braker that sounded like a challenge so she decided to bring the two 'religions' together in a Bonspiel. She recruited her husband Walter from Zion United and Don and Nancy Ballantyne from Minden United and 64 curlers, some very experienced and some brand new, and hosted the first Church Bonspiel in 2003.

The aim was to have fun and to give church members, curlers and people from the community the opportunity to meet, have fun and make new friends. Each curler was asked to bring a wrapped gift and each family a potluck dish and spectators were very welcome. People were invited to come to the rink by 1pm so that anyone new to the game could be outfitted with grippers, brooms, sliders and some instruction. Teams of 8 were drawn up, 4 to play the first 3 ends and the other 4 to cheer them on. After 3 ends the two groups changed places and did their best to add to the score. A second game was played in the same way, followed

by the Potluck dinner and the prize giving. It was a really great bonspiel because every curler went home with a prize and through the years both the church and the curling club have gained some new members.

The 12th annual Church Bonspiel took place at Minden Curling Club on Jan. 5. The format hasn't changed and we still have curlers from Haliburton, Minden and Kinmount and church members from Minden, Zion and Maple Lake United, Our Lady of Fatima R.C. and St Paul's Anglican. The other thing that hasn't changed is the fellowship and laughter and good food enjoyed by everyone.

Over the years we gained a trophy and since it was won three years in a row by teams skipped by Doreen Spencley, it is known as the Spencley Trophy. The trophy and first pick of the prize table went this year to skips Lynda Pawluch and Charlie Hadley with Carol Hussel, Dave Neely, Mary Forbes, Karen Lytle and Andy Cooper. Congratulations to them and to every one who has contributed to the continued success of this event.

Submitted by Nancy Ballantyne



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Ontario Early Years continuing visits in February

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Another January birthday this coming week as older daughter Megan Elizabeth celebrates. Two days earlier and we could have both been Capricorns but instead she falls under the sign of Aquarius.

According to Saturday's Globe & Mail horoscopes [and the planets of course] I, the old goat, am moving too fast while Meg, the water carrier, needs to complete a task she has been ignoring.

Frankly a role reversal is in order. Megan like her dad has always been a take charge person and even in kindergarten during "show & tell" she delighted in reporting on the Fleury household.

Once she announced to the class that her brother David had been born on Christmas morning and her parents got married two days later unfortunately neglecting to mention the four year interval between these two events.

A phone call from her teacher alerted us to the pressing need for some clarification. It was good to read in the January 2014 "Kinmount Gazette" that the Ontario Early

Years Mobile Outreach Program would continue its visits to the Kinmount Community Centre on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon.

During the month of February this valuable program for infants and pre-schoolers will feature some special time for physical activities.

There will however be another re-assessment at the end of March to determine if this service to our community is needed and should continue.

The number of children and parents attending and benefitting from this resource is a major factor in that decision so please mention this program to area friends.

Little ones can better develop and thrive in so many aspects including their gross and fine motor, language, cognitive and social skills through guided interaction. Attending parents can also exchange experiences and concerns with resource leaders and besides it's great fun.

For youths eleven years and older the Canadian Red Cross Babysitting Course will be held this Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Kinmount Community Centre.

This is an eight-hour training program with a manual for ongoing reference and a certificate presented to successful participants. The revised cost is \$50 with lunch

now being provided by the Kinmount Committee for Planning & Economic Development.

For more information or to register please call Jane Austin at 705-488-9954 or email her at kinnmountgazette@hotmail.com.

Babysitting whether for one's own siblings or outside of the family home is a great responsibility and this Course would be a valued tool.

At the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount it will be "open mike" with Scott Gartshore and Dirt Road this Sunday, Jan. 26 starting at 1 p.m. with an admission fee of \$7.

Throughout the week there are many programs taking place at the Branch including darts, cards and the very popular Friday Night Bingo at 6:45 p.m. with a \$300.00 jackpot. For information re events, members and/or hall rentals give the Legion a call at 705-488-3462.

Tickets for the 3rd annual Kinmount Bursary Dinner & Loonie Auction coming up on Saturday, February 8th at the fully accessible Galway Hall are only \$15/person and available at the Kinmount Pharmacy [705-488-1960].

This is a great chance to enjoy a fun filled evening while contributing to bursaries in support of our local students entering or continuing in their post-secondary studies

at university, college and trade schools.

The items already donated for the auction are to use the current term "awesome" and can be viewed starting at 5 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6 p.m.

Other donations of items or monies to the Bursary Fund would be most welcome and can be directed to the Pharmacy.

Kinmount Winterfest will kick off with a free Family Snowflake Ball on Saturday, Feb. 22 at the Kinmount Community Centre.

Then activities will be in full swing on Sunday, Feb. 23 both indoors and outside at the Arena and Fairgrounds. There are great contests some of which need a construction head start so check out the website at kinmount.ca and watch for full details in the February issue of the *Kinmount Gazette*.

Volunteers are needed to help with this fun day and if you can assist please call Julie at 705-488-2961.

This column gives me the opportunity to write life glimpses from here at the old farmhouse realizing that all families have similar happenings in their homes.

If there is a special occasions or recognition you would like to share please give me a call. Until next week...

THE FASTLANE

Monday, Jan. 13

Men

High Average: 213

High Single: 263

High Single HDCP: 313

High Triple: 673

High Triple HDCP: 730

Ladies

High Average: 194

High Single: 228

High Single HDCP: 252

High Triple: 533

High Triple HDCP: 630

Tuesday, Jan. 14

Men

High Average: 204

High Single: 289

High Single HDCP: 330

High Triple: 689

High Triple HDCP:

Ladies

High Average: 191

High Single: 296

High Single HDCP: 325

High Triple: 661

High Triple HDCP: 748

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Ladies

High Average: 188

High Single: 202

High Single HDCP: 323

High Triple: 556

High Triple HDCP: 646

Friday, Jan. 17

Men

High Average: 209

High Single: 240

High Single HDCP: 276

High Triple: 661

High Triple HDCP: 704

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Hawks soar to first place with win

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

It's never over until it's over.

This was the presiding sentiment for the Red Hawks boys' hockey team after they hung on for a 4-3 win against the Holy Cross Hurricanes on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton.

"That's what I kept telling them," Red Hawks coach Ron Yake said.

The crowd of Red Hawks boys' hockey supporters were barely settled when the home team exploded for two goals (Nate Feir, who also scored the third goal and assisted on the game-winner, and Jayden Wood).

During this time with overwhelming puck dominance, the Hawks looked poised to cruise to the end of the game. However, the Hurricanes didn't give up despite going down by three at the end of the first and facing a four-goal deficit in the third thanks to an insurance marker and eventual game-winner by Red Hawks winger Jake Bursey.

When the Hurricanes scored two unanswered goals in the latter half of the second, the Hawks lead wasn't as secure as the opening period.

Even before the game started Coach Ron Yake told his team about the last time when they lost the second game of a back-to-back.

"I reminded them it's hard to play every time when you're playing back-to-back and keep your focus and thoughts positive," he said. "So we came out flying and got a couple of real quick goals. I think they thought they were in for a little scrimmage ... I give credit to the other team. They picked up, battled back

and showed some class."

The Hawks' quick start was attributed in large part to a pair of weak goals surrendered by Dillon Reece.

"Their goalie had a tough start," he said. "We scored a couple that were maybe easy goals. Anyway it was back and forth. I thought it was going to be a pretty game because of it. They got a goal or two and all of a sudden [they're] into a new hockey game."

Yake knew going in Holy Cross was a solid team.

The Hurricanes won the B division at the St. Peter's Classic just a week before.

This kind of game emphasized the coach's pre-season expectation that every game in this league will be hard fought.

Yake was proud of his team for how it responded in the third by returning to better professional play and discipline.

"That's important for these guys to realize because in the [St. Peter's Classic] tournament we played some very good hockey teams and we had to play positionally very well, in the neutral zone especially and on the forecheck.

We started to do that in the third period and that got us back to our game," he said.

His team, he adds, eliminated most of the odd-man rushes that the Hurricanes got in the second period.

Although the Hawks committed more penalties than the Hurricanes, the special teams really stepped up.

With eight minor penalties, the Hawks didn't surrender a goal.

The coach describes the game as "rugged" and still felt his team was disciplined.

Yake said even with a success rate of 1:4 with the powerplay is far and away accepta-



Darren Lum Staff
Red Hawks player Jake Bursey, left, rushes into the offensive zone against the Holy Cross Hurricanes on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. The Red Hawks held off a last push by the Hurricanes to hang on for the 4-3 win. With the win, the Hawks are first in the Kawartha High School Hockey League entering the exam break.

ble. "We're starting to see that so that's a positive," he said. The last barrage by the Hurricanes, helped in part by pulling their goalie with a little more than a minute in regulation, was turned away despite a continuous cycle of offensive chances.

Hawks goalie Brayden Frost made two successive stops in-close with seconds left in the game before a mess of bodies and melee ensued, leaving one Hurricanes player tossed for the remainder of the game.

"[Frost's] been playing really well. He's staying focused around his net. He's looking after his angles as the year goes on," Yake said. "He had a very good [St. Peter's Classic] tournament. Both goalies [including Jordan Hamilton] had a very good tournament. And, he

headed into the exam break with one point over second place St. Peter's Secondary School.

The first game back will be the rubber

match against the Hurricanes on Feb. 4 in Peterborough. The Hawks will host its first

home game after the break on Wednesday,

Feb. 5 against the Crestwood Mustangs at 3:50

County card scores

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Chapman, Pearl Cowen and Doug McIntosh [2] took home the other prizes. Thanks to Ross Davies partnered with Muriel McIntosh 58 percent.

January 16 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Leading ladies were Pearl Cowen 303, Pat Dickson 286 and Dorothy McElwain 247 plus Kevin Maloney 239.

First for the gents at 269 was Albert Foster followed by Archie Ross 258, Marcel Roussel 248 and Jim Corbett 242. Belle Walker held the hidden score with Penny Pegler winning the "call 1". Bev Johnson further reports that Jesse Barlow, Dwaine Lloyd, Pearl Cowen, Vi Howell, Marcel Roussel and Karen Chapman [2] took the moonshot.

January 15 bid euchre at Stanhope: High scores for the white cards went to Jack Cox 240, our reporter Linda Lambert 235 and Debbie Lamb 231. For the pinks Wendy from Haliburton Lake topped the charts at 247 followed by Willie Cox 237 and Jean Dutka tied with Marg Oetelaar for third at 206. There were two moonshots by Pat Marshall and Linda Lambert.

January 15 bid euchre at Club 35: First for the pinks was Marg Oetelaar 298 then Dorene Elstone 278 and Pat Marshall 261. Our reporter Jean Dutka topped the whites at 305 followed by Al McMullen 249 and Jason Peacock 231. Holding the hidden score was Merv Elstone while Pat Marshall took the single moonshot.

January 17 bid euchre at Stanworth Terrace, Minden: Winning for high hands and the special prize was Joan Meadows, for lone hands Bev Johnson and for low hands Murray Daniels. Thanks to Shirley Howe for this update.

January 17 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing Howell Ross Fletcher

and for low hands Maria Tschida and for the special prize Murray Daniels. Thanks to Sherin Brown for this update.

January 18 bid euchre at Club 35: Lone hand honours went to Margaret Oetelaar with Linda Voyce and Merv Elstone recording the highs. The evening's low scores were claimed by Linda Hainer and Anne Manning with our staunch reporter Garth Windsor again winning the boloney.

January 20 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Yvonne Arbuthnot and Barbara Braithwaite with Marion Stickwood and Shirley Morden posting the high scores. The afternoon's low went to Pam Pappas who also took home the special prize. This news comes from Tim Sharpe.

January 20 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Rose Isaacson reports that Bill Muzz led at 386 then Cathy Hicks 371 with Eleanor Hicks and Pearl Cowen tied for third spot at 349.

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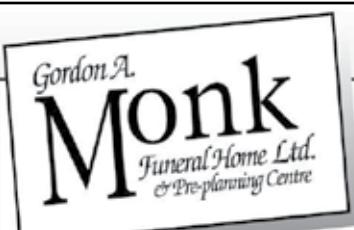
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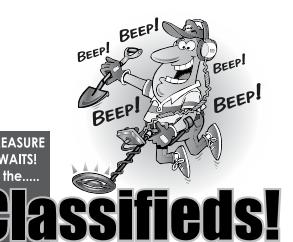
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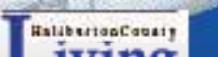
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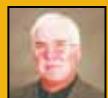
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Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29



Miskwabi Lake Luxury \$539,900

- Dream cottage/home on 2 lake chain
- 3BR, 2 baths, gourmet kitchen
- 150' deep clean shoreline,
- Awesome view, year round access

Susanne James & Andy Mosher 457-2128 x 33



Minden Home \$140,000

- Charming 2 Bedroom/1.5 Bath
- Open Concept Living and Kitchen
- New shingles, deck, fixtures, flooring etc
- Full walk-out Basement

Valerie Kulla 286-2138



County Road 21 \$189,900

- 3 bdrm 2 full baths mn fir laundry
- New Shingles, new wood stove
- New family rm, new 3 pc bath
- Freshly painted ready to go

Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23



Pride of Ownership! \$335,000

- Immaculate 4 season waterfront home/cottage
- Level lot with child friendly sand beach
- Quiet bay on the Gull River heading to Shadow Lake.
- 2 bedrooms and double car garage

David Lee 286-2138 x 27



Recreational Paradise - 37.6 Acres - \$299,900

- 10 mins to Minden, Blainhampton Rd - prestigious area
- Hard & softwood bush, natural spring; partially landscaped
- High quality 2+1 BR home; 2 baths, dsmt w/o; Private;
- Level access, trails; 1.5 km from public boat launch- 12 Mile Lake

Gary Moffatt 457-2128 x 36



Ready For Immediate Occupancy \$84,900

- 3 bedrooms with good level lot
- Perfect for young family or retirees
- Comfortable surroundings, close to town
- For more details contact Erin

Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34



Gull River \$254,900

- Well Maintained 4 Season home/cottage
- Boat to Gull Lake or Downstream Minden
- 3 Bedrooms, Sunroom, Full W/O Basement
- Single Car Garage, FAO & Woodstove

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29



County Road 21 \$165,000

- Mins. to Minden conveniences, solid brick
- 2 bdrm; walk out bsmt., family room
- Sep. dining room, fireplace; hardwood floors
- Raised bungalow; dbl drive & lots of parking

Dawn Poissant 457-2128 x 31



Excellent Opportunity on Halls Lake \$299,900

- 120 feet of fantastic waterfront
- Excellent swimming, fishing & boating
- Original 1940's cabin
- Plus full bunkie with kitchen & bathroom

Margie Prestwich 457-2128 x 37



Great Starter Home \$119,900

- Located between Haliburton & Minden
- Many recent upgrades
- Bunkie, single carport, storage shed
- Public access to the 5 lake chain close by

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28



Home Sweet Home! \$179,000

- Fully renovated and updated home
- 2 plus 1 bedrooms, open concept living area
- Great location, just minutes to Haliburton
- Adjacent lot available at \$34,900

Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24



Highway 35 Lots

- Two prime building lots north of Minden
- Easy access from highway; driveways in
- \$125,000 - 3.5 acres; \$99,000 - 3.1 acres; HST in addition.
- Commercial use possible

Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52



Minden Bungalow \$244,900

- Updated 4 Bedroom/2 Bath Home
- Hickory Kitchen, Sunroom, Propane Fireplace
- Hardwood and Ceramic Floors, Full Finished Basement
- Ravine Lot with 0.58 Acres and Creek

Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32



Halls Lake Beauty \$649,900

- Classic charm with modern upgrades
- Incredible 249' of sandy beach waterfront
- Boathouse and gazebo at waterfront
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, stone fireplace

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25



Close to Ski Hill \$34,500

- Building lot in Eagle Lake Area
- 1.37 acres with frontage on 2 mun. roads
- Easy access with services at lot line
- Public beach, shopping & restaurants nearby

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25



Highway 35 Residential \$129,900

- 1.8 acres set nicely off the highway
- Garage, basement and loft addition
- 3 bdrms, 4 piece bath mn fir laundry
- Country kitchen, loads of charm

Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23



Tamarack Lake \$45,000

- 74 acre building lot with deeded access
- Mixed bush, rock outcroppings, pond at rear
- Level driveway, area cleared
- Year round private road

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